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Hampton revising trash collection request for proposals

The City of Hampton continues to explore managed competition to ensure that taxpayers get the best price while maintaining the excellent customer service residents have come to expect.

A proposal for bids on the city's street sweeping is moving forward, with proposals due April 10. A request for proposals for before- and after-school care for middle school students was also issued, and a portion of the city's landscaping and mowing services are also being put out to bid. (For details, go to <http://hampton.gov/bids-contracts/>.)

However, a "pre-bid" meeting with potential vendors for residential solid waste collection services brought out a number of questions about the specifications. That pointed to a need to refine the request for proposals to ensure that requirements are clear to all potential vendors. Because of the amount of time it will require to do that, the current RFP is being withdrawn.

Hampton officials will work through the list of questions raised in the meeting and plan to issue a new RFP in the coming months.

"We are committed to exploring this process and we will issue a new proposal as soon as we can," said City Manager Mary Bunting. "A venture of this magnitude requires a good deal of preparation to ensure that all potential vendors have the information they need and that the needs of our residents and service levels are protected."

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